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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman
The Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner
The Honorable Robert M. McDowell, Commissioner
The Honorable Mignon Clyburn, Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: WT Docket No. 11-65. In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations.

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners,

Associated Industries of Florida (AIF) was recently made aware of the AT&T acquisition of T-Mobile USA. After considering this merger, AIF strongly supports this acquisition as it will provide stronger communications technology, faster speeds, and even wider coverage for customers and for businesses that compete for those customers.

We envision a brighter telecommunications future, and AT&T has taken steps to prepare for this shared outcome. The bringing together of these two compatible systems will enhance Florida's network, enabling it to be even stronger in a very competitive U.S. market. Additionally, AT&T will have improved abilities to introduce even better products and services at competitive prices. As new technologies are introduced to the marketplace, Floridians benefit.

Our organization represents more than 10,000 companies in Florida, many of whom already recognize and benefit from the advantage of wireless technology. Further connecting businesses and individuals to this fast-paced environment will result in an even stronger wireless foundation to support the increasing demands of our membership.

AIF is committed to promoting economic development and a business platform to support such growth. We respectfully urge you to approve this acquisition.

Sincerely,

Barney T. Bishop III
President & Chief Executive Officer